



FVCPAA

FRASER VALLEY CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS ASSOCIATION



NEW MEMBER WELCOME PACKAGE 2026/27

Information current as of September 2026

STAYING CONNECTED

Event invitations, registration links, program announcements and member updates are shared by email and through the FVCPAA website.

Because registration and attendance information may change, check the current event page before each activity.



Website: fvcpaa.ca



Events: fvcpaa.ca/events



Member Hub:
fvcpaa.ca/members



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WELCOME

FVCPAA is strongest when members participate, share their experience and make room for new connections. Whether you attend every meeting in person, join virtually when you can or get involved through social and volunteer opportunities, we hope your membership helps you feel more connected to the profession and to the people who practise it here in the Fraser Valley.

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE

Please introduce yourself at your first event. We look forward to learning more about you and welcoming you into the FVCPAA community.

WELCOME TO FVCPAA

You are now part of a local community of CPA's and CPA students who come together to learn, connect and strengthen the profession across the Fraser Valley. This guide will help you understand what is included in your membership and how to get involved.



ABOUT FVCPAA

FVCPAA is a regional professional association committed to strengthening the CPA community in the Fraser Valley. We create accessible opportunities for professional development, relationship building and engagement close to home.



Foster meaningful professional relationships among CPA's across the Fraser Valley.



Support ongoing professional growth by advocating for convenient, local access to CPABC-accredited courses.



Raise public awareness of the value and role of Chartered Professional Accountants.



Encourage and empower future CPA's through mentorship opportunities and student scholarships.

ABOUT YOUR MEMBERSHIP



Seven association meetings:

Professional presentations throughout the membership year, with breakfast included for in-person attendees.



Flexible attendance:

Attend association meetings in person or virtually, depending on your schedule.



Professional development:

Members may be eligible to report one hour of verified professional development for each regular meeting attended.



Member conference pricing:

Members receive preferred pricing for the annual FVCPAA Conference. Conference registration is separate from membership.



Professional community:

Connect with CPA's, CPA students and business professionals working in public practice, industry, non-profit and public sector roles.



Social and volunteer opportunities:

Build relationships beyond formal meetings and contribute to the work of the Association.



ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

FVCPAA typically hosts seven association meetings each year. Meetings are generally held on the first Thursday of the month at the Clarion Hotel & Conference Centre, 36035 North Parallel Road, Abbotsford, BC.

Each meeting includes a full breakfast, time to connect with colleagues and a professional presentation on a timely topic affecting the accounting profession. Virtual participation is also available when you cannot attend in person.



Plan ahead: The membership year runs from September through August. Dates may occasionally vary, so always use the event listing and registration email as the source of truth for each meeting.

YEAR AT A GLANCE



September to June:

Seven association meetings scheduled across the membership year, usually on the first Thursday of the month.



November:

Annual full-day FVCPAA Conference, offered as a separate registration.



Throughout the year:

Social activities and informal networking opportunities; timing and format vary.



September to August:

Annual membership cycle, communications, volunteer opportunities and scholarship support.



Social Activities

Some of the strongest professional relationships are built outside the meeting room. FVCPAA hosts social activities that give members a relaxed way to meet one another, reconnect with colleagues and bring guests. Activities vary from year to year and may include casual networking gatherings, bowling, paint nights or other community-based experiences.



Watch your email and the FVCPAA website for announcements registration deadlines.



Register early when space is limited.



Attend even if you are new or coming alone - the purpose is to make connection easier.



Annual FVCPAA Conference

The annual conference is FVCPAA's signature professional development event. Now in its fourteenth year in 2026, it brings together more than 100 accounting professionals for a full day of practical learning, timely perspectives and meaningful conversation.



A full day of educational sessions led by knowledgeable speakers and industry leaders.



Topics relevant to professionals working in public practice, industry, non-profit and public sector roles.



In-person and virtual attendance options.



Dedicated opportunities to reconnect, network and exchange ideas.



Exclusive member pricing: conference registration is completed separately from annual membership registration.



2026

*For 2026, the conference is scheduled for **Thursday, November 19** at the Clarion Hotel & Conference Centre in Abbotstown, with the theme **Leadership, Legacy & the Future of the CPA Profession.***



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SUPPORTING FUTURE CPAS

FVCPAA launched its Scholarship Program in 2010 to support and encourage the next generation of accounting professionals in the Fraser Valley.



\$4,500
invested each year

Three scholarships of \$1,500 are awarded annually to deserving students pursuing careers in accounting. The scholarships are funded equally by FVCPAA and the Chartered Professional Accountants' Education Foundation of BC (CPAEF).

The program has longstanding connections with Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Trinity Western University and the University of the Fraser Valley. Through scholarships, mentorship and member engagement, FVCPAA helps students see a path into the profession and build connections with working CPAs.

Memberships sustain this investment simply by participating in the Association. You may also be invited to support student-focused activities, welcome CPA students at events or share your professional experience.



MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP

- 1 Put the dates in your calendar:** Treat meetings as part of your annual professional development and relationship-building plan.
- 2 Attend in person when you can:** Breakfast and informal conversation before the presentation are often where the most valuable introductions happen.
- 3 Use the virtual option:** When travel or workload gets in the way, join online so you do not miss the learning opportunity.
- 4 Introduce yourself:** Tell a board or commit member that you are new. We are happy to help you meet people with similar roles or interests.
- 5 Follow after events:** Connect on LinkedIn or send a short note while the conversation is still fresh.
- 6 Explore the Member Hub:** Keep your profile current and use available member resources, notices and networking features.
- 7 Share your expertise:** Suggest a topic, recommend a paper, world or participate in a Member Spotlight.
- 8 Bring a colleague:** Guest attendance is available, making it easy to introduce someone to FVCPAA before they join.



YOUR FIRST 30 DAYS

- Confirm that FVCPAA emails are reaching your inbox and add coordinator@vpaac.ca your contacts.
- Visit the events page and register for the next association meeting.
- Add the annual conference date and upcoming meetings to your calendar.
- Follow FVCPAA on LinkedIn for announcements, member stories and event updates.
- Introduce yourself at your first event and connect with at least two members.
- Review the Member Hub and career opportunities available through the FVCPAA website.



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